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3V, TUNISIA (A new station). Andy, DJ7IK, reports that a second official station license has been now issued to the Tunisian scouts. The station's callsign is **3V8ST** (Scout Tunisienne). They will build up a new station within the next few weeks, and they hope to be on the air in **September** after the summer holidays.

9H, MALTA. Look for Akis, SV7CLI, to operate from the club station of 9H-land probably as **9H/SV7CLI** beginning **July 20th**. Activity will be on all bands. QSL via CBA.

9L, SIERRA LEONE. The "Les Nouvelles DX" reports that Jacky, F2CW/ZL3CW, will be here for **3 months** and hopes to get a licence.

CY9CWI, ST. PAUL ISLAND. This island will be activated by the West Island ARC of Montreal from **July 21-28, 1999**. Operation from this DXCC country will be on 160-6m as conditions permit. Operation will be on or near: 1830, 3505, 3780, 3860, 7005, 7065, 7230, 10105, 14010, 14265, 18080, 18125, 21010, 21305, 24935, 28010, 28395 and 50130 MHz. The team will enter the **1999 IOTA Contest** and will make special efforts to work Asians on 10-15m, Europeans on 80-160m, and Canadians everywhere! Operators will be Helen/VE2YAK (YL Op), Fred/VE2SEI, Al/VO1NO/VE1, Reg/VE2AYU, Bill/VE1MR, Dragan/VE2ZIV, Lowell/VY2OX, and J-F(Jeff)/VE2TBH. Direct comments, questions go to: Fred Archibald VE2SEI, 130 Embleton Crescent, Pointe Claire, QC, H9R 3N2 Canada (archibal@pubnix.net). QSL via VE2CWI West Island ARC, Box 884, Dorval, Quebec, H9R 4Z6 CANADA (<http://www.PubNIX.Net/wiarc/dx.htm>) The following reference numbers were provided: CQ zone 05, ITU Zone 09, IOTA NA-94, Can. Is. NS-002, N. Lat. 47.33 degs., W. Long. 60.16 degs., Grid Square: FN 97.

FM5GU OFF THE AIR! Denis, FM5GU, reports to OPDX that he thinks his station will be off the air for **one to two years**. This is due to a storm that hit Martinique on Thursday, July 8th, at about 6:00 AM (his local time) and broke his mast and all antennas. He also mentions "the tide is low for the money" to set things back up.

HL0, SOUTH KOREA (IOTA DXpedition). Hyun, HL3QAR, the operator of HL0C (HanYang University Wave Research Club), informs OPDX that an operation by **HL0C/4** to **Mara Island (AS-026)** will take place **August 3-9th**. Mara Island is in the Cheju Province Group in the southern extremity of KOREA. Activity will be on 40/20/15 meters CW/SSB. QSL via: CPO 4397, 100-643, Seoul KOREA. Visit the HL0C Web site:
<http://campus.hanyang.ac.kr/~HL0C/>

HS, THAILAND (IOTA and DXpedition). A large group of Thai/foreign amateurs will be active from **SiChang Island** (Koh SiChang, IOTA **AS107**) during the **IOTA Contest**. There will be a two Multi-Mixed mode stations active: **HS2AC** (led by HS1CHB with JA operators) and **HS0AC/2** (led by HS1CKC with Thai/UK operators). After the contest the groups will combine for a DXpedition operation under the callsign **HS2AC** until **July 28th**. QSL Manager for both callsigns will be HS0/G3NOM (Via Thailand Bureau or PO Box 1300, Bangkok, 10112, Thailand).

IOTA NEWS (Stations continue to prepare for the upcoming IOTA Contest, July 24-25th).....

- **AS-008.** Look for **JA1MXY/1** **JA1SGU/1** and **JI1SQK/1** to be active from **Osims Island** (Izu Archipelago), **July 24-25th**, during the IOTA Contest CW.
- **AS-099.** Berkin, TA3J, will participate in the IOTA Contest as **TA3J/0** from **Alibey Island**. QSL home call TA3J, Berkin AYDOGMUS, P.O. Box 987, 35214 Izmir - Turkey.
- **AS-117.** Takeshi "Take", JI3DST, will be active as **JI3DST/3** from the Honshu's Coastal Islands (Awaji-Shima Hyigo) during the IOTA Contest and until July 26th. Activity will be 40/15/10 meters (also 17/12 meters). Take also plans to be active from here during the upcoming dates/contest: **September 4-6th (Asian Contest)**, **October 2-4th**, **October 30th-November 1st (CQWW Contest)** and **December 4-6th (ARRL 10M Contest)**. Callsigns to be used are **JI3DST/3** or **7N3UXO/3**. QSL via JI3DST: TAKESHI FUNAKI, 2-18-26 HANNAN-CHO ABENO-KU, OSAKA-CITY OSAKA 545-0021 JAPAN
- **AS-135.** Members of the Jiangsu DX Club of China will be active from **Ping Island July 22-27th**. Operators BA4RX, BA4TA and BD5RV will activate this island as **BI4Q** on some regular IOTA frequencies. This will be the second time for amateur radio waves to be sent out from this small island. The main purpose of this operation is to take part in the IOTA Contest. QSL via BA4TA (P.O.Box 219, Wuxi, Jiangsu, China) and any comment can be directed to Michael Chen, BD5RV, at: by5qn@qsl.net
- **EU-028.** Marco, IK0YVV, will be active from **July 21-31st**, from **Elba Island** (IIA LI-001) mainly on CW. He will enter the IOTA Contest maybe as a mixed mode. The call will be **IA5/IK0YVV**. QSL via the Bureau or direct to: Marco Pimpolari, Via Piemonte, 58 ; 05100 Terni -ITALY
- **EU-038.** Members of club station ON4NOK will be active before and during IOTA Contest with the call **PA6TEX** on **Texel Island**. QSL via ON4ALW: Ronald "Ron" Van Aken, Kapelstraat 5, 2330 Merksplas, Belgium. Also, QSL via UBA Bureau.
- **EU-048.** Thierry/F5SNY will be F5SNY/P from Belle Ile from July 21-29th where he

will participate at the IOTA contest.

- **EU-065.** Thierry/**F5SNY** will be **F5SNY/P** from **Molene Island** until **July 21st**.
- **EU-077.** Operators EA1DAV, EA1CA, EA4ATI and EA4ST will be active from **Sisargas Islands July 24-25th**. The callsign will be **ED1PDG** for the IOTA contest. They will work SSB and CW. QSL via EA4ATI.
- **EU-121.** The East Cork Radio Group will be active during next weekend's IOTA contest from **Bere Island** using the callsign **EJ7M**. QSLs go via EI6HB or via the Bureau.
- **EU-145.** The RCL Algarve DX Group team (CT1ASU, CT1ERY, CT1GFK, CT1GPQ, CT2GFJ and CT2GZL) will be signing **CQ1C** during IOTA Contest from **Culatra Island**. QSL via CT1GFK direct via P.O.Box 468, P-8700-914 Olhao, Portugal or via bureau.
- **EU-153,** Vlad/RZ1OA and Dima/UA1OLM will be active from **Lyasomin Island** between **July 21 and 29th**. QSL via RZ1OA (Vlad Sadakov, P.O. Box 48, Arkhangelsk, 163040, Russia).
- **NA-139.** Brian/N3OC and Darrell/AB2E will activate **Assateague Island** (USIA MD001S) for the upcoming IOTA contest. They will be a multi-single high power entry with an A4 on the beach for 10-40 meters, and either dipole or vertical for 80. They will be on both SSB and CW, so look frequently on the different bands and modes. This field-day style operation will be on the full 24 hours of the contest. Worked all mosquitoes and sand flies will not be a challenge from this site. QSL via N3OC.
- **NA-148.** AA1IZ will be heading a team from the Framingham ARA to **Georges Island** in Boston Harbor for the IOTA contest. Operation will be Multi-Single, all bands 80-10m, with SB-220s on both the run and multi stations. QSL to AA1IZ.
- **NA-169.** (Update!) Plans have been finalized for activation of **Waadah Island NA-169**. Look for special event callsign "**W7W**" from **July 23rd for 5 days** including the IOTA Contest. QSLs via W5DX. Pilot Station is w7tsq@aol.com
- **SA-040.** Gerard, F2JD/HK3JBR, will be active as HK3JBR/1 from Rosario Island until July 20th.

JW, SVALBARD. Thanks to the support from some very enthusiastic 6 meters operators and the UK Six Meter Group, Peter, LA7QIA, should be active from here. By the time you read this he should be on 6 meters as **JW7QIA** from JQ68TB for two to four days. Details are published on his Web site at: <http://www.qsl.net/la7qia/> (and mirrored <http://home.c2i.net/dx/>).

KH3, JOHNSTON ISLAND. It has been reported by Dick, N6FF, that Bill, NH6D, will be making numerous trips here for the next year or so. He will be there on **July 20th for a few days**, and will try to operate as work commitments permit. He expects to make several more trips in August. The club station equipment and antenna status is currently unknown, but the FT-1000D and tri-band yagi are supposedly operational. The amplifier is said to be 'fried'. Bill will check the station status this trip, and if necessary, return with whatever is needed to operate the lowbands. It is believed that Bill will have **NH6D/KH3** up and running on 160/80/40 meters before the September/October lowband season begins. Dick states that he will try to keep everyone informed of station status and progress. By the way, Bill prefers CW, but does operate some SSB. QSL to N6FF.

LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVITIES. There will be two upcoming events in August which involve lighthouse operations: The **National Lighthouse Weekend (August 7-8th)** and The **International Lighthouse Weekend (August 21-22nd)**. Both are described on the "Ham

Radio Lighthouse" Web page at: <http://www.waterw.com/~weidner/ld.htm> Also, check the listings on pages 71 and 93 of the August QST. If you are planning a lighthouse activity and wish to be listed on the Lighthouse Page, send details to Jim Weidner, K2JXW, USA Coordinator for National/ International Lighthouse Weekends, at : K2JXW@amsat.org Please give location of lighthouse, frequencies, call, dates, and QSL info.

OTHER POSSIBLE NEW? Reports during the week indicate that **Montenegro** has been conducting talks with Serbia and they want independence from Yugoslavia. Check out the Web site: <http://www.cnn.com/WORLD/europe/9907/14/yugoslavia.02/>

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- **3B9R QSLs**. The QSL cards for the recent 3B9R Rodrigues Island DXpedition are expected from the printers in Japan next week. Cards will begin to be processed at that time. QSL via Joyce Johnson N7LVD, 5627 West Hearn Road, Glendale, Arizona 85306.
- Station **4U1UN** which was activated on July 14th by Fritz, DL4TT, MUST (REPEAT MUST) be QSLed to the United Nations Headquarter: P.O. Box 3873, NY 10017, USA.
- Sam, **V63KU**, will close his operation at the end of June, 1999, and the P.O. Box in V63 will also be closed. Please send any QSL claims after closing to JA6NL through JARL (JA's QSL Bureau).
- Andy, SP6ECA, reports **SN6F/1** (1998) QSL status is that all cards have been mailed, directs and via the DARC bureau. In case of problems, please E-mail Andy at: asadow@ita.pwr.wroc.pl QSLs for SN6F/1 (1999 operation) are via SP6ECA, bureau or direct and will be 100% confirmed.
- Peter, DL3APO, informs OPDX the QSL cards for **FO0AWI** and **FO0XUU** are ready and Gerd, DL5AWI, has started to answer the 5000 request. Also, Peter has sent OPDX a picture of the QSL and it can be seen on the Web at: <http://www.en.com/users/k8yse/rurutu1.jpg>
- Olda, OK1YM, reports that he is **not** the QSL Manager for John, **SV1DKR**. Olda has operated from John's station from time to time and usually announces his activities via InterNet. However, he has been receiving some QSL cards addressed to his home address but has never been active as a QSL Manager for SV1DKR. Please send all QSL via SV bureau or direct to SV1DKR: John Kyriakos, 4, El. Venizelou str., C.P. 173 43, ATHENS, GREECE.
- Alan, **VK8AV**, reports that rumors that he will never answer QSL via the Bureau is not altogether true. Alan informs OPDX that he presently has 7 kilos of QSLs which have been built up over the past year while he has been away. Alan states, "I may get around to answering them - sometime.....eventually. However, a direct QSL with the appropriate SASE will get a response within 48 hours. Together with the special Alice Springs Telegraph Station postmark where possible. By the way, 'green stamps' are more negotiable than IRCs." Again, VK8AV's direct address is: Alan R. Viegas, P. O. Box 3718, Alice Springs NT, Australia 0871.
- Karl, DL2FAG, reports the QSL cards for the **S79YL**, **S79ZG** and **S79FAG** activity have arrived from the printer, and the QSL Manager, DL7AFS, has started to answer all direct QSL requests. Please be patient and do not send a second QSL. Bureau cards will be answered later this year.
- Charles, K4VUD, reports that the **9N7UD** QSL cards for direct requests have been filled out and mailed. Charles states, "However, a few of the 15 meters CW QSL cards I sent

have a minor error -- the freq. is mistakenly listed as 21.224 instead of 21.024 and the date and time is about six hours off. All these "errors" do not matter to the DXCC desk, as far as I can see, because the band is correct, the mode is correct, and the year is correct. So, I would advise, relax and enjoy the card."

- Laurie, VK4BLE, WIAQ QSL Bureau Manager, reports QSL cards for **VK4CEJ** and **VK4DZ** are to be sent direct to John and Graeme only. They both do not wish to accept any QSL cards via the bureau.
 - **VK4CEJ** - John Caine, PO BOX 80, LAIDLEY, 4341, QLD, AUSTRALIA.
 - **VK4DZ** - Graeme Bracht, PO BOX 24, LAIDLEY, 4131, QLD, AUSTRALIA.
- Doug, N6RT, reports that the 1997 and 1998 logs for **VK9LX** are now online at: <http://dx.qsl.net/logs/>
- Soni, PY1SL, states that he is not the QSL Manager for **S0WW**. This station is pirate.

SPECIAL EVENT. The Grumman Amateur Radio Club will operate **WA2LQO** on **July 20th** to commemorate the **30th anniversary of the Landing on the Moon**. The station will operate from the **Bethpage, NY** building where all the Lunar Modules were built by Grumman. Operation will be on 10/15/20 meters, propagation permitting. For a special QSL card, send a SASE to the CBA of WA2LQO which is: GRUMMAN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, 70 DEWEY ST., HUNTINGTON, NY 11743 USA. SWL cards will gladly be honored. (No Buro cards can be accepted).

SPECIAL EVENT. Special event station **VC6MP** will operate **July 24-25th**, to commemorate the **125th anniversary of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police March West** (details at <http://www.av.bc.ca/ve6jy.html>).

T88, PALAU. Jim/JA3AJ/N7EIU and Kazu/JA3ART/N3JJ will be active from here **September 15-19th**. Callsigns to be used are **T88MM** (Jim) and **T88JJ** (Kazu). They will be active on HF (w/500 watts) all bands and 6 meters (Mainly on 10/6m). QSL to each home call address or via JARL QSL bureau.

V26, ANTIGUA. Darrell, AB2E, will again be active as **V26E** from the V26B supersite from **August 11-17th**. He will enter the **WAE CW Contest August 14-15th**, and would request that stateside not try to work him during that time. He will be on plenty before and after the contest, mostly on the WARC bands, and will try 160 since there are a pair of new fullwave beverages at the site. QSL this and all V26E operations to the home call, AB2E.

V7, MARSHALL ISLANDS. Dave, **V73UX**, has been active on 20 meters SSB between 1100 and 1400z. He has also been heard on RTTY around the same time. Also, there have been reports that he recently put up a 3 element Yagi for 40 meters. NO QSNs reported for this band. QSL via V73AX.

XW, LAOS. **XW8INH** was active over the past weekend on 17 meters (18135 kHz) between 1245 and 1330z. Reports indicate that Motoaki, JH1EDB, who is currently living in **Vientiane**, is the operator of this station. However, the callsign belongs to Mr. Inh, the Manager of the KPL (Khaosane Pathet Lao) the official news agency in Laos. Motoaki may be using this station because foreigners are not permit to receive their own licenses. QSL via JM1GYQ.

XX9, MACAO. Ed, K8EP, will be travelling to Macau over the period of **August 18th**

through the 23rd. He will be operating as **XX9TEP**. His operation will be CW and SSB on 80-10 meters. There is some activity planned for the **SEANET SSB Contest**. QSL is via K8EP.

ZB2, GILBRALTAR. The "Les Nouvelles DX" reports that Martin, G3RFX, will be active as **ZB2FX** or **ZG2FX** from **September 1 to 16th**.

ZC4, UK SOV. BASE AREAS ON CYPRUS. Ian, ZC4OS, wants to remind everyone that on each second and **fourth Wednesday of the month** the radio club meets and plans to operate between 1930 and 2300 Cyprus local time. The next operation should be July 28th. The callsigns to be used will be either **ZC4ATC** or **ZC4RAF**, and the operation will be either CW or SSB. The club also hopes to be operational for the CQWW SSB Contest. There will be more detailed news on this later. Additionally, there are or will be ZC4ATC operations (all night) on or around the last of Friday each month. More info will be sent out later.

ZM, NEW ZEALAND. "The 59(9) DXReport" states it has been reported that ZL stations may use the **ZM prefix** from **October, 1999, through March, 2000**, for the **Millennium**.

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